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THE AUGUSTA COIN CLUB MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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**Our next meeting is Thursday, July, 21, 2022, early arrivals at 6:00**

## Collecting Early Over-date US Coins

### Club Meeting Calendar for 2022

Jan. 20	May 19	Sep. 15
Feb. 17	June 16	Oct. 20
Mar. 17	<b>July 21</b>	Nov. 17
Apr. 21	Aug. 18	Dec. 15

### An amazing “Once in a lifetime” acquisition



#### An 1805 Draped Bust Half-disme graded XF-40 by NGC

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For those members who remember this little jewel which was part of a set of four 1805 Draped Bust silver coins that appeared in the April, 2021 issue of the newsletter, under the headline of “Taking the Plunge”, the tiny half-disme which was worth five cents when it was released into circulation by the Philadelphia Mint cost the author a small fortune when the writer discovered it on a major dealer’s web site back in 2003. So, he decided to save up for it hoping it would still be available at the ANA’s World Money show to be held at the Baltimore Convention Center that summer. This coin was the last of the short-lived half-disme series that was struck in both 1796 and ‘97 with the small eagle reverse, then in 1800 thru 1805 minus 1804 with the Heraldic eagle reverse before being suspended for 24 years. The 1805 half-disme had a reported mintage of just 15,600, the third lowest of the entire series, (1796-1805) and by the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century it was already highly priced although it now it sells for double what the author paid for it.

One of the reasons it did not sell quickly was probably due to its uneven strike which was characteristic for a coin that thin. The tiny coin had a diameter of just 16mm, weighing 1.35 grams with an alloy of 8.294 silver and .1076 copper. Still, the specimen appears completely “original” compared the several others he had seen with slightly better strikes.

### Collecting Early Over-Date US Coins

By Arno Safran



**A 1799 Draped Bust \$1.00 at left & 1799/8 Draped Bust \$1.00 at right**  
(Courtesy of Heritage Auctions Archives and PCGS’ COINFACT)

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In 1799, the Philadelphia Mint struck a record 423,515 Draped Bust dollars, by far the largest mintage of the series (1795 - 1803). Of this total, a small number were struck as over dates appearing faintly as the **1799/8** which may have been the very first year any of our coins displayed an over-date. Shown above are the obverses of the two sub-types. The coin at left was certified VF-30 by PCGS and the over-date VF-20 by NGC. By enlarging the page to 200% our even 500%, you will notice the left side of an 8 under the left side of the 9.



**Detail showing the second 9 in the date over what appears as the left side of the numeral 8**

Years ago, long before slabbing began, the writer actually had a specimen of the 1799/8 Draped Bust dollar. It was sold to him “raw” as a Fine-12 but the somehow the coin appeared to be slightly cleaned, so he decided to sell it at the 2004 FUN show held in Orlando, FL in order to acquire an attractive 1807 Draped Bust half-dollar certified AU-50 by PCGS. A mistake? Possibly! But we’ll never know!

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The obverses of an 1802/1 \$1.00 graded VF-20 by NGC at left and an 1802 normal date \$1.00 graded XF-40 by PCGS at right [Enlarge page to 150% to fill the monitor screen to better view the details]

Three years later, the same situation reoccurred at the Philadelphia Mint only the images shown above are reversed with the 1802 over-date Draped Bust \$1.00 shown at the left and the 1802 normal date Draped Bust dollar appearing on the right. Like the 1795 over date the author once owned a 1802 as well and for the same questionable reason, he also sold a pre slab ungraded specimen due to its weak strike for what he thought was a better acquisition and regrets it to this day. The 1802/1 Draped Bust dollar certified VF-20 shown at left above was a coin the author saw from a recent Heritage auction



The detail displays one of the six over-dates used that appeared on the 1802 Draped Bust Heraldic Eagle dollar.

Courtesy of PCGS' COINFACT's and Heritage Auctions

On the right side atop the column on the right is the obverse of the more common 1802 normal date Draped Bust silver dollar which the author acquired at the Watchung Hills Coin Club's show held in February, 1993 in north-central New Jersey. The coin was uncertified at the time but graded VF-35 by the dealer who was known for his prowess as an accurate grader. In 2013, the author sent it in to PCGS for certification and it came back in a VF-35 holder.

### The First Half-cent Overdate Half-cent



An 1802/0 Draped Bust half-cent, C-2, R3 graded VG-8 by Anacs [Enlarge page to 150% to fill the monitor screen to better view the details].

In 1800, the Draped Bust type half-cent replaced the Liberty Cap type on the obverse of the coin with a reported mintage of 202,908 pieces, fairly common for that timeframe. None with the 1801 date appeared the following year but in August of 1802, the Philadelphia Mint released 20,266 more Draped Bust half-cents, all dated 1802/0; presumably 1800 dated leftovers with the 2 pressed upon the 0 in 1802. This coin was acquired away back in 1992 with Anacs papers plus a photo; this, shortly before Anacs joined PCGS and NGC in slabbing.



Obverses of the 1805/4 over date certified VF-20 and Normal date Draped Bust half-dollar certified XF-45, both by NGC [Enlarge page to 150% to fill the monitor screen to better view the details]

All of our early coinage is considered scarce to rare and the over-date examples were no exception since they represented a smaller percentage of the normal date coinage of the period. Shown directly above is a lower grade specimen of the obverse of the scarce 1805/4 Draped Bust half-dollar along side the much more common 1805 normal date specimen. By 1805, the Philadelphia Mint began to be strike larger numbers of coins but the over-dates still represented a small percentage since they were basically leftovers of obverses that never entered circulation as intended and are a lot scarcer and more expensive. Of the 14 die varieties that were issued for the 1805 Draped Bust half-dollar, the first three display overdates displaying 1805/4. The detail below shows a better view of how the overdate appeared.



A detail showing the over-date of the 1805/4 half-dollar that was presumably stuck as an 1804 half-dollar in the previous year.



An 1806/5 and 1806 normal date half-dollar Both graded XF-45 by PCGS

The situation was similar in 1806 regarding the half-dollar denomination, this time, with a larger number of 1806/5 halves being struck as over-dates although far less than the 1806 normal dates.



The detail displays the 5 poking its way out of the top of the 6

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**The 1806/5 Draped Bust quarter B-1, R2  
Graded Fine-15 by PCGS, CAC stickered**

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While the coin above is graded only Fine-15, it is one of the most attractive pieces for the grade the author has seen which is why he was so excited when it came on the market recently and he was able to acquire it. The CAC initials on the "slab" stands for "Certified Acceptance Corporation" a grading company that reevaluates coins already certified for further analysis. The company places a green CAC sticker on the holder if they consider the coin to be on the higher end of its certified grade or exceptional for the grade.



**Detail showing the 1806/5 over-date on the 1806 quarter**

When one compares the 1806 normal date quarter shown below, the 1806/5 shown above appeared worthy of the green sticker. The surfaces on both sides of the coin are smooth and the wear is even while the normal date example graded Fine-12 is weakly struck on the reverse and not nearly as attractive.



**An 1806 normal date quarter, B-3, R1 graded Fine-12 by ANACS  
[Enlarge page to 150% to fill the monitor screen to better view the details]**

The 1806 normal date Draped Bust quarter was acquired by the author back in 1992 in an ANACS-Fine-12 holder. It is still somewhat nice-looking but not evenly worn. Compared with the 1796 and 1804 dated pieces which were coined with just 6,146 and 6,738 respectively, from 1805 thru 1807, the Philadelphia Mint struck

hundreds of thousands of quarters from 1805 thru 1807; so the 1806 normal I date, B-3, R3 variety is a very common date.

Steve M. Tomkins, author of *Early United States Quarters, 1796 to 1838*, explains that "the 1806/5 overdate Draped Bust quarter "was achieved by heating the obverse of the coin, then punching the 6 over the 5, the re-annealed." He also states that the coin "will present some challenges. Due to the re-use of the dies from the 1805/4, most are found to be somewhat mushy looking not well struck up, generally with weak dentals" which represent the circumference of the coin. The 1806/5 Draped Bust quarter on the top of page 3, column 1 is an exception accounting for its greater eye appeal and value.



**An 1810/9 Classic Head large cent, S-281 graded VF-20**

The large cent denomination had no known overdates until 1810, one of the seven dates of the Classic Head series struck from 1808 thru 1814 by Asst. Chief Engraver, John Reich. When magnified even slightly, this VF-20 example of the 1810/9 cent shows the 1 in the 1810 appearing over the barely noticeable 0 displaying a tiny tip of the nine emanating under the left side of zero. The large cent of this period had a diameter of 29 mm. The differences in value however are much less between the normal date and over-date than some of the other coins. The specimen above cost \$200 at a Sunday show held in a suburb of Philadelphia. Today it retails for \$1,000 in the same grade.



**Detail showing 1810/9 Classic Head cent overdate**



**An 1810 normal date Classic Head large cent, S-281 graded VF-30  
[Enlarge page to 150% to fill the monitor screen to better view the details]**

In 1810, the reported mintage for the large cent was 1,458,500 for all varieties which include both the over date and normal date examples shown above. The normal date shown directly above was actually acquired earlier at a meeting of the same Watchung Hills Coin Club mentioned earlier in 1989 and cost \$235. Today, a VF-30 specimen retails for \$1,400.00 as both coins appear somewhat chocolatey brown compared with many of the dark grayish ones that lack the eye appeal of the foregoing.

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**An 1817/3 Capped Bust half-dollar, O-101, R2 graded XF-40 by PCGS**

During its long tenure, the Lettered Edge Capped Bust half-dollar--which was struck from 1807 thru 1836--in every year except 1816--there were numerous over dates, and the 1817/3 shown above is just one of many but highly significant. See detail, below! The 1817/3 is common.



**A 181.7 Capped Bust half-dollar, O103, R2 graded AU-50 by ICG  
Nicknamed the "Punctured Date"**

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However in this case, the obverse of this particular 1817 die variety was struck over an earlier 1813 dated half-dollar. The 181.7 half shown below is more an anomaly than an over-date.



**Detail showing dot between 1 & 7 in date  
But the variety is not considered an over-date**



**An 1817/4 Capped Bust half-dollar, O-102A, R7 graded VF-20 by PCGS. Only 10 to 11 are known to exist, ; a major rarity!  
(Courtesy of PCGS'COIN FACTS and Heritage auction archives)**



**The three varieties struck of the 1823/2 Capped Bust dimes,  
JR-01, VF-30 JR-2, Fine-15 and JR-3, VF-20**

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In 1823, there were only three Capped Bust dime varieties struck and they all had over date, each one, slightly different. The middle variety with the large E was the scarcest of the three and the over-date example is shown below.



**A detail showing the over-date of the middle 1823 dime**



**An 1823/2 Coronet large cent, N-1, R2 graded XF-45**

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Finally, in that same year, 1823, the number of Coronet Head large cents that were produced at the Philadelphia Mint were far below its normal output. Unfortunately their actual mintage is combined with the mintage of 1824 large cent which also is known for an over-date.



**An 1823 Coronet large cent, N-1, R2 graded VG-10**

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The author acquired this scarce 1823/2 Coronet large cent back in 2005 at a spring coin show held at the Cobb Galleria Convention center in Atlanta in April of that year. There are many other over-dates struck during the era of our Bust coinage. These are only some of the interesting ones.

**To be continued!**



## **AUGUSTA COIN CLUB, INC.**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**June 16, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Sunrise Grill by President, Shelby Plooster. We had 35 members present.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

The May 19, 2022 minutes were not read. A copy is kept on file.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

The treasurer's Report was sent by email by Stacey Plooster. We have \$12,656.42 deposited in the checking account.

#### **Prize Winners:**

Tommy Hegler and Max Shields won the Door Prize. Each won a 2022 Silver Eagle. Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Burles Johnson. He won \$205.00. Also, Tommy Rhoden won a 2022 Silver Eagle for working at the desk at our coin show.

#### **Spring Coin Show May 20 (Friday) and May**

**21(Saturday) 2022**, Steve Nix - Bourse Chairman. The Spring Coin Show was held at the Columbia County Exhibition Center located at the Grovetown Wal-mart at Exit 190. President Shelby had asked the membership to please to help at the show and a good number obliged. Mr. Sammy Lucky provided our post cards that we will be mailed. Thank you, Mr. Lucky. Bourse Chairman, Steve Nix reported only 60 tables were sold compared with 75 in previous years. The club lost \$1293.84 at this show as only 405 people signed in for both days.

#### **Show and Tell**

Geri Putnam displayed a 2021-O newly minted Morgan Dollar; mintage 200,000.

#### **The Program:**

Arno Safran gave a PowerPoint program titled **"Collecting at least one US coin by Decades ending in two"**. He chose coins from his collection that he thought had eye appeal within their grade level. Arno started out displaying our first pattern coins that were made in 1792 and continued by decades to 1972. First, he portrayed a legitimate 1792 Half-Disme which had a mintage of just 1,500 that came from the Brent Pogue collection and sold for over \$420,000 at a Stacks/ Bowers Auction held in 2015. This was followed by a short-set of **Gallery Mint 1792 replicas engraved by Ron Landis** in 2002 which displayed two copper cents, the half-disme, disme and a lovely silver quarter sold as a set in 2003 for just \$125.

1802 Bust Half he displayed a Draped Bust dollar

1812, a Large cent graded AU-50

1822 Capped Bust dime certified XF-40., also a

Large size Capped bust quarter certified VF-35

1832 small size Bust Quarter certified XF-40

1842, a Petit Head large cent,

1852 featured a Liberty Seated dime

1862, a Liberty Seated quarter

1872 a Shield Nickel

1882 I an Indian Cent.

1892 Barber uncirculated dimes, quarter & half-dollar

1902 Red Indian Head Cent.

1912 the first year of the 1912 D Liberty nickels

1922 A BU Peace Dollar,

1932 an MS-65 Washington Quarter

1942 BU Year set with the two Jefferson nickels

1952-D Gem BU Franklin Half Dollar

1962 A 1962 Mint set

1972 A gem BU Eisenhower Dollar

Lastly, **an 1932 Saint-Gaudens \$10.00 gold piece**

President Shelby Plooster gave Arno a certificate for his fine program.

Our July, 2022 program will be presented by member, Charles White who will give a program on "U.S. Gold Coins and the Mints, Past and Present."

#### **Our upcoming Augusta Coin Club Medallion:**

The winning choice of our 2022 Augusta Medallion was the Gertrude Herbert Institute of Art (1818). It will be struck in copper, antique bronze and silver wash and priced at \$12.00 each. The medallion will be available at our July Meeting.



#### **Old Business:**

2022 Club dues \$15.00 per year are well past due. Perfect attendance for the 2022 has been reinstated.

**Red Books** (2023) are on sale for \$10.00 for wire bound and \$12.00 for hard copies. Anyone that gives a program will be eligible for a drawing for a one-tenth gold coin. Please leave a tip for drinks at the Sunrise Grill.

#### **New Business:**

John Attaway donated some coins to the Boy Scout Clinic and Clein's Rare Coins donated all prizes for the YN program.

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## MINUTES OF MEETING

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### Area Shows:

Atlanta Coin Show July 10, 2022

Marietta, GA

Raleigh Coin Show June 17-19, 2022

Raleigh, NC

Summer Fun Show July 7-9, 2022

Orlando, FL

## Our Monthly Coin Auction

Burles Johnson ran the auction (10 lots). Glenn Sanders and others delivered the goods as the auction was carried on therefore speeding the auction up. Bids recorder was Tommy Rhoden.

*Respectively Submitted,  
John Thomas Attaway*

## The 1792 Replica of the first designed US Quarter



An example of the 1792 pattern quarter that contemporary engraver Ron Landis engraved replica at the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

The 1792 dated replica of our very first silver quarter-dollar design engraved by Ron Landis was the last one of the five-coin series to be released by the Gallery Mint, which was located in Eureka Springs, AR. The series was completed in 2003. The replica cost just \$28.00 and the buyers could choose which side of the coin they preferred the word, *COPY* to appear.



Gilbert Stuart painting of President George Washington and his wife Martha along with guests tour the US Mint in Philadelphia

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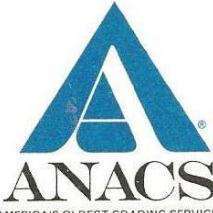
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